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## NEW HAMPSHIRE CIVIL RIGHTS PANEL APPOINTED

**WASHINGTON, DC** - The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights has appointed 13 people to its New Hampshire Advisory Committee.

Martin Dannenfelser, staff director of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, announced the appointment of Jerianne E. Boggis of Milford, Katherine L. Brown of Barrington, Jordan C. Budd of Concord, Anthony J. Epaphras of Manchester, Patricia M. Gormley of Portsmouth, Elizabeth S. Hager of Concord, Barbara J. Jago of Manchester, Rogers J. Johnson of Stratham, Rowell Shep Melnick of Amherst, Nabil Migalli of Manchester, Kevin H. Smith of Litchfield, Carol Stamatakis of Lempster and Alejandro J. Urrutia of Hudson to the New Hampshire Advisory Committee. Commissioners appointed Jordan Budd as chair. The appointments are for two years.

An independent bipartisan federal agency, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights conducts research and advises the President and Congress on civil rights issues. Its members appointed by the President and Congress, are Chairman Gerald A. Reynolds, Vice Chair Abigail Thernstrom and Commissioners Todd Gaziano, Gail Heriot, Peter N. Kirsanow, Arlen D. Melendez, Ashley Taylor, and Michael Yaki.

Congress has directed the Commission to establish advisory committees in all states and the District of Columbia to assist in its fact-finding function. These committees receive reports, suggestions, and recommendations from individuals, public and private organizations, and public officials, and forward advice and recommendations to the Commission. Members of State Advisory Committees serve without compensation and conduct civil rights reviews and investigations and report to the Commission.